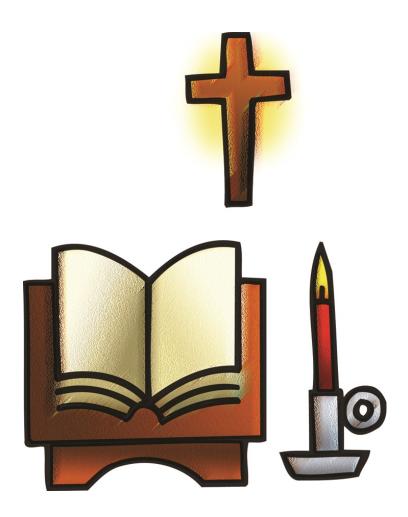
+ Contemporary Worship + At Redeemer Lutheran Church

9:45 am October 29, 2023

Our mission is to share Christ's love with the greatest number of people.

Reformation Sunday



Rooted in the past and growing into the future, the church must always be reformed in order to live out the love of Christ in an ever-changing world. We celebrate the good news of God's grace, that Jesus Christ sets us free every day to do this life-transforming work.

Trusting in the freedom given to us in baptism, we pray for the church, that Christians will unite more fully in worship and mission.

+ WELCOME TO WORSHIP +

PRELUDE

Eric Cho, Piano "Gymnopedie No.1" by Erik Satie, "L'avalanche" by Stephen Heller

GATHERING SONG





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CALL TO WORSHIP

Based on Psalms of Praise

Seminarian Hallelujah! We sing our praises to God!

We lift high our praise of God All

and bless God's holy name.

God is filled with mercy and grace, not quick to anger and rich in love. Seminarian

God is good to one and all; All

everything God does is filled with grace.

Seminarian Let us sing to God a brand-new song.

Let us praise God from the mountaintops All

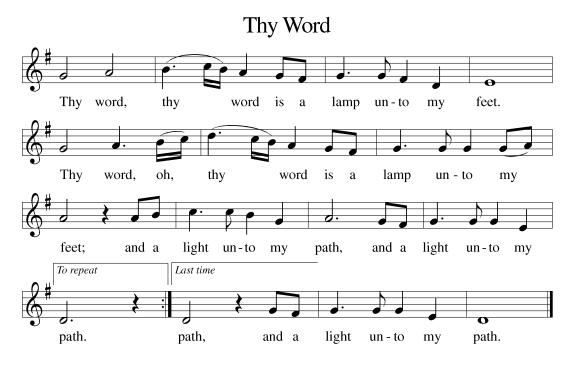
and for all eternity.

Seminarian Let us praise God in this house of worship.

Let every living, breathing creature praise God! All

SONG OF PRAISE

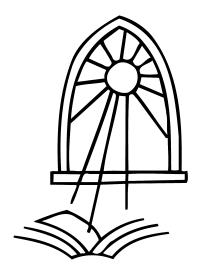
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Text: Psalm 119:105

Music: THY WORD, Richard Webb

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CONFESSION OF SIN

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Jesus said, "Where two or three are gathered in my name, I will be among them." Christ is here, in our hearts and souls as we gather for worship. Christ is here, to heal and redeem. Let us open our hearts and minds for God's healing ministry!

Silence and reflection

Seminarian Most merciful God,

All come into our lives,

come and heal what is broken, correct what is against your will,

bless what is small and tender, uncertain and in need of growth.

Come into our lives and anoint our community that we may serve you with an open heart.

Pastor The God of truth who renews us in body, mind and soul, grant us insight,

foresight and a desire to follow the path of Christ whose compassion is beyond compare. In Christ, God is always making a new way for us. In the name of our

Triune God – the Father, + Son, and Holy Spirit – your sins are forgiven.

All Amen.

PRAYER OF THE DAY

Pastor Let us pray.

Almighty God, gracious Lord, we thank you that your Holy Spirit renews the church in every age. Pour out your Holy Spirit on your faithful people. Keep them steadfast in your word, protect and comfort them in times of trial, defend them against all enemies of the gospel, and bestow on the church your saving peace, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the

Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

All Amen.

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

+ THE WORD +

Reading: Jeremiah 31:31-34

The renewed covenant will not be breakable, but like the old covenant it will expect the people to live upright lives. To know the Lord means that one will defend the cause of the poor and needy (Jer. 22:16). The renewed covenant is possible only because the Lord will forgive iniquity and not remember sin. Our hope lies in a God who forgets.

The days are surely coming, says the LORD, when I will make a new covenant with the house of Israel and the house of Judah. It will not be like the covenant that I made with their ancestors when I took them by the hand to bring them out of the land of Egypt — a covenant that they broke, though I was their husband, says the LORD. But this is the covenant that I will make with the house of Israel after those days, says the LORD: I will put my law within them, and I will write it on their hearts; and I will be their God, and they shall be my people. No longer shall they teach one another, or say to each other, "Know the LORD," for they shall all know me, from the least of them to the greatest, says the LORD; for I will forgive their iniquity, and remember their sin no more.

Reader Word of God, word of life. **All** Thanks be to God.

Reading: Romans 3:19-28

Paul's words stand at the heart of the preaching of Martin Luther and the other Reformation leaders. No human beings make themselves right with God through works of the law. We are brought into a right relationship with God through the divine activity centered in Christ's death. This act is a gift of grace that liberates us from sin and empowers our faith in Jesus Christ.

Now we know that whatever the law says, it speaks to those who are under the law, so that every mouth may be silenced, and the whole world may be held accountable to God. For "no human being will be justified in his sight" by deeds prescribed by the law, for through the law comes the knowledge of sin.

But now, apart from law, the righteousness of God has been disclosed, and is attested by the law and the prophets, the righteousness of God through faith in Jesus Christ for all who believe. For there is no distinction, since all have sinned and fall short of the glory of God; they are now justified by his grace as a gift, through the redemption that is in Christ Jesus, whom God put forward as a sacrifice of atonement by his blood, effective through faith. He did this to show his righteousness, because in his divine forbearance he had passed over the sins previously committed; it was to prove at the present time that he himself is righteous and that he justifies the one who has faith in Jesus.

Then what becomes of boasting? It is excluded. By what law? By that of works? No, but by the law of faith. For we hold that a person is justified by faith apart from works prescribed by the law.

Reader Word of God, word of life. **All** Thanks be to God.

Please stand and sing.

Change My Heart, O God



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Pastor The Holy Gospel according to St. John. **Glory to you, O Lord.**

Gospel: John 8:31–36

Jesus speaks of truth and freedom as spiritual realities known through his word. He reveals the truth that sets people free from sin.

Then Jesus said to the Jews who had believed in him, "If you continue in my word, you are truly my disciples; and you will know the truth, and the truth will make you free." They answered him, "We are descendants of Abraham and have never been slaves to anyone. What do you mean by saying, 'You will be made free'?"

Jesus answered them, "Very truly, I tell you, everyone who commits sin is a slave to sin. The slave does not have a permanent place in the household; the son has a place there forever. So if the Son makes you free, you will be free indeed.

Pastor The Gospel of the Lord.
All Praise to you, O Christ.

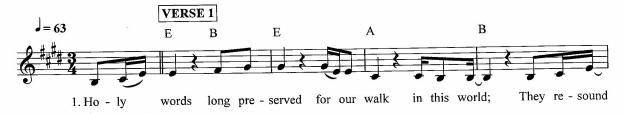
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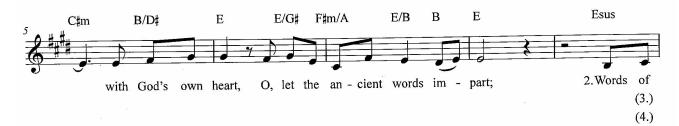
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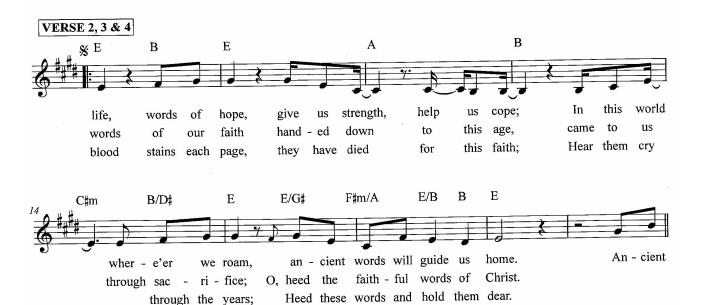
SONG OF THE DAYPlease stand and sing.

Ancient Words

Words and Music by Lynn DeShazo

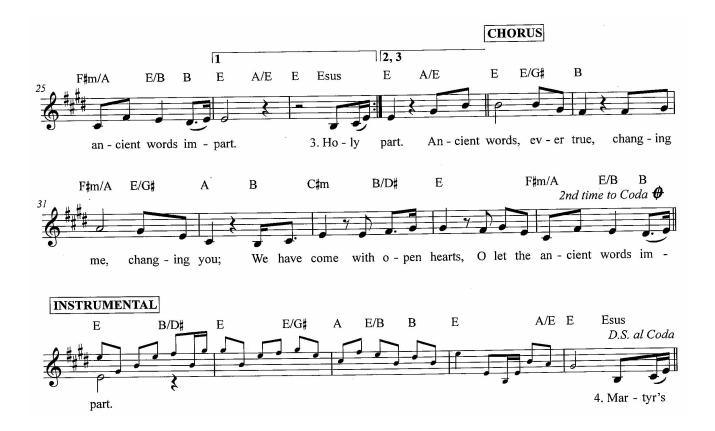








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AFFIRMATION OF FAITH — APOSTLES' CREED

Seminarian With the whole Church, let us confess our faith. **All I believe in God, the Father almighty,**

creator of heaven and earth.

I believe in Jesus Christ, God's only Son, our Lord,

who was conceived by the Holy Spirit,

born of the virgin Mary,

suffered under Pontius Pilate,

was crucified, died, and was buried;

he descended to the dead. On the third day he rose again;

he ascended into heaven,

he is seated at the right hand of the Father,

and he will come to judge the living and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

PRAYERS

Prayers are included for the whole Church, the nations, those in need, the parish and special concerns. After each portion of the prayers:

Seminarian God of grace, **All** hear our prayer.

At the end of the prayer:

Pastor Into your hands, gracious God, we commend all for whom we pray,

trusting in your mercy; through Jesus Christ our Savior.

All Amen.

SHARING THE LORD'S PEACE

Pastor May the peace of the Lord be with you always.

All And also with you.

Please greet one another with words such as "God's peace be with you."

Sit

OFFERING

An offering is gathered for the mission of the church, including the care of those in need. Please give as you are able. We appreciate those who give in-person and those who give electronically.

Please sign the red attendance book and pass it down the pew.

+ SHARING OUR GIFTS +

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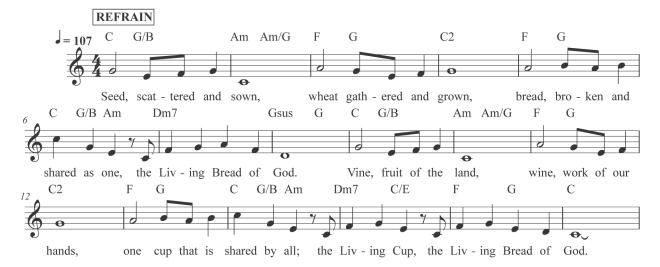
"Jesus Lead On" by Brent Helming, Youth Choir

OFFERING SONG

Seed Scattered And Sown

(as published by International Liturgy Publications)

Words and Music by **Dan Feiten**



OFFERING PRAYER

Pastor Let us pray.

All God of field and forest,

sea and sky,

you are the giver of all good things.

Sustain us with these gifts of your creation,

and multiply your grace in us,

that the world may be fed with your love, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

Amen.

+ THE MEAL +

Pastor The Lord be with you.

All And also with you.

Pastor Lift up your hearts.

All We lift them to the Lord.

Pastor Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

All It is right to give our thanks and praise.

Pastor God, you are before all things;

You are beyond all things;

And in the midst of all things and all peoples

you have made yourself known.

Pastor In Israel's ancient codes and prophetic oracles,

in stories of women and men, of communities and nations

seeking identity, feeling their strength,

and struggling with their weakness you have made yourself known.

In Jesus of Nazareth, in compassion for the outcast, forgiveness for the fallen, hope for the poor and hungry; in his life poured out for others and broken in rejection and disdain you have made yourself known.

Therefore we join our praises with countless men and women before us, disciples and apostles, saints and martyrs, acclaiming your power in goodness and your might in compassion, as we say:

All Holy, holy, holy Lord

God of power and might

Heaven and earth are full of your glory

Hosanna in the highest.

Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord

Hosanna in the highest.

WORDS OF INSTITUTION

THE LORD'S PRAYER

Pastor Gathered into one by the Holy Spirit, let us pray as Jesus taught us.

Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name,

thy kingdom come, thy will be done,

on earth as it is in heaven.

Give us this day our daily bread; and forgive us our trespasses,

as we forgive those who trespass against us;

and lead us not into temptation,

but deliver us from evil.

For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory,

forever and ever. Amen.

Pastor Come, for all is now ready.

Please sit.

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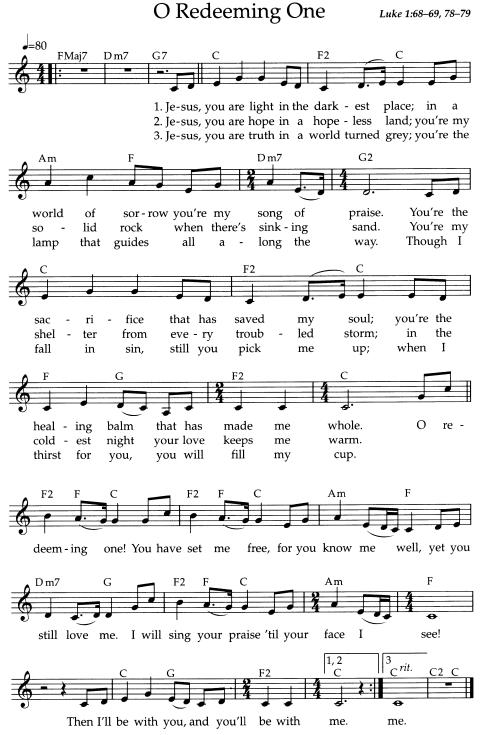
All are welcome to receive Holy Communion.

Anyone not comfortable receiving the bread or the wine are invited to come forward for a blessing. You are an important part of our faith community. For those taking Holy Communion: Pastor will give verbal instructions on how Holy Communion will be distributed.

SPECIAL MUSIC

Bree Dillaman, Voice,"Little David, Play on Your Harp" arranged by H.T. Burleigh

COMMUNION SONG All sing.



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TABLE BLESSING

Please stand.

Pastor Through Christ all God's people are made whole: may Christ's body and blood

strengthen you and fill your life with the joy and peace that only Christ can offer.

All Amen.

POST COMMUNION PRAYER

Seminarian Let us pray.

We thank you, generous God,

for the refreshment we have received

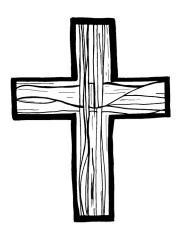
at your banquet table.

Send us now to spread your generosity into all the world,

through the one who is our dearest treasure,

Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

All Amen.



+ THE SENDING +

BLESSING

Pastor The God who calls across the cosmos

and speaks in the smallest seed bless, keep, and sustain you now and to the end of the age

in the name of the Father, + Son, and Holy Spirit.

All Amen.

SENDING SONG All sing.

A Mighty Fortress Is Our God



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DISMISSAL

Seminarian Go in peace. Share Christ's love.

All Thanks be to God.

POSTLUDE

Kai Osifchin, Piano "Toccata in D minor" by J.S. Bach

Please join the Redeemer family outside the Crossroads foyer area for fellowship and refreshments.

Lutheran Church of the Redeemer

Children are welcome in our worship.

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Hearing help available: We have for your use personal hearing amplification units available in the narthex.

Redeemer's Sunday worship schedule is: 8:30 and 11 am - Traditional Services 9:45 am - Contemporary Service

Next Sunday's Scripture:

Revelation 7:9-17 Psalm 34:1-10, 22 1 John 3:1-3 Matthew 5:1-12

Today at the 11:00 service, the following will be confirmed:

Nathaniel Ryan Beck
Anna Faith Broderdorf
Austin David Humes
Tom Jordan Kanski
Mira Nilima Karnik
Catherine Yvonne Lawler
Charles William Lindsay
Anna Leigh Paukovits
Joseph Lee Warren
Adrian Johannes Wiklund
Abigail Elizabeth Williams

Today we celebrate with the families of those who are being confirmed and hold them in prayer as they continue their journeys of faith.

We also celebrate with William Beck and his family as he celebrates his First Communion at the 11:00 service today.

We also give thanks for all the youth who shared their gifts and helped to lead today's worship service.

The flowers are given to the glory of God and in honor of all the confirmands.

Creed written by Andreas Wagner Eucharistic Prayer written by Samuel Wells

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